

Chapter 4

Lesson 5

Transportation

Theme: What Are My Options for Transportation?

Lesson Objective:

Students learn how to obtain an Arizona driver's license, use public transportation and figure costs for insuring/registering a vehicle. (See matrix for Arizona Academic/Adult Standards).

Steps to Follow:

"I am one of those who never knows the direction of my journey until I have almost arrived." --Anna Louise Strong

Introduce lesson with the self-talk litany. Ask how the Big Ideas fit with this lesson.

1. Have students discuss various options for their transportation needs. Have them decide what is practical for them. Discuss:
 - How far will they have to travel from their home to work/school?
 - What type of public transportation is available in their area?
 - How much can they afford in terms of vehicle purchase, insurance and operating costs.
2. Have students identify how much they can afford to spend on transportation and how this may limit their options.
3. Complete *Transportation S1*. Review fees, registration and insurance (Search the Internet, Goggle keyword auto insurance). Have students decide if they are financially able to buy a vehicle.
4. If students are old enough to obtain a driver's license, discuss the process for obtaining a license. Download information about obtaining an Arizona driver's license, www.dot.az.us/MVD or search Google keyword Arizona Motor Vehicle Department. Complete *Getting a Driver's License S2*.
5. Have students discuss the pros and cons of using public transportation. Have them determine if public transportation is a viable option. Check with the local bus company to see if bus passes are available for students or available for a reduced rate.
6. Obtain a map of your local area. Have students track where they live in relation to where they will need to go for work/school, counseling, medical appointments, etc.

7. Download appropriate bus schedules and maps, for example, www.suntran.com. Complete *Riding the Bus* S3.

Materials:

Transportation S1

Getting a Driver's License S2

Riding the Bus S3

Internet access to download bus schedule or map and state Motor Vehicle Department information

Arizona driver's license manuals

Evaluation:

Rubric.

Enrichment:

Use copies of the free publication "Auto Trader" to have students examine ads and find vehicles that may fit their budget using the considerations learned in this lesson.

Transportation

S1

1. List several methods of private transportation available to you.
2. List several modes of public transportation available in your area.
3. How much money have you budgeted to spend per month on transportation?
4. If you are considering owning a vehicle, estimate the following costs for each month and then multiply by 12 to figure your costs for a year.

Item	Monthly	Annual
Gas		
Maintenance (oil changes, tires, washes, major services, etc.)		
Insurance		
Vehicle license and registration		
Parking		
Other		
	Monthly Total:	Annual Total:

Getting a Driver's License

S2

Download information about obtaining an Arizona driver's license.

1. What type of license will I be applying for?
2. What two forms of identification (three forms if no photo ID is available) are needed?
1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____
3. What is my social security number? _____
Do I want to use this as my driver's license number? **YES** **NO**
4. If I'm under 18, which adult will sign my application? This adult will be responsible for any negligence or willful misconduct when I am driving.

5. Do I have a medical condition that would require immediate attention?

If so, I will need a statement, dated within 90 days, about the medical condition. It will have to be signed by a licensed physician in order to obtain a medical code on my license.
6. Do I have proof of insurance? **YES** **NO**
If I don't, how much is it and where can I get it?

7. How much will the license cost? _____
8. Where will I get the \$\$? _____
9. There are 3 tests I will be given. What are they?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
10. What are some reasons my license or permit may be canceled?

11. If I do not need a license, but need an identification card, how much is it and how do I get it?

Riding the Bus

S3

Download information about local public transportation.

1. If I have trouble reading the bus route map and schedule, who do I call to get information?

2. How do I pay to ride the bus? _____

3. How much is a day pass and where do I get one?

4. Where do I catch the bus? _____

5. What is a transfer and when do I need to ask for one?

6. What is a PERC and how do I use it?

7. What types of passes are available? _____

How much are they and where do I get one? _____

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*Look at the **Route 8 M-F Schedule**. Look at the **Route 8 Broadway/6th Ave. map**. Use these to answer the questions: For the third scenario, you'll need to look at **the Route 8 Saturday Schedule**.*

1. You need to be at work at 9:00 a.m. You catch the bus at Downtown/Ronstadt Center and will get off at Speedway at Harrison. What time should you catch the bus from the Downtown/Ronstadt Center in order to be at work on time?

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2. You're going to visit your friend who lives at Wilmot/Broadway. You'll catch the 8:28 p.m. bus (remember you use the Downtown/Ronstadt Center). What time will you get to your friend's house?

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3. It's Saturday, and you've been called in to work (remember, you work at Speedway/Harrison). You'll be done with work around 4:00 p.m. What bus should you catch, and what time will you be home?

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